

First Alaskans Foundation

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Denali Commission
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RE: Community Planning & Development Program
Project No: 0018-DC-1999-E4
Performance Report For the Period October 1, 2001 through December 31, 2001

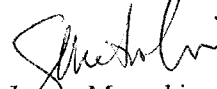
Dear Michelle:

Enclosed is a progress report on the First Alaskans Foundation's Community Planning and Development Program, funded by the Denali Commission. This report covers the project period from October 1, 2001 through December 31, 2001. It also includes all grant expenditures for this period, as well as project status updates, accomplishments and labor, residence and wage report information.

Although this is a quarterly report for 2001, we will be furnishing you an additional report to wrap-up the year. As you will see, we've distributed funds to all grantees under this program.

If you have any questions about the Program, or should you require additional information, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,
FIRST ALASKANS FOUNDATION



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PROGRESS REPORT TO THE DENALI COMMISSION

Submitted by

FIRST ALASKANS FOUNDATION

Community Planning & Development Program

Project No: 0018-DC-1999-E4

Grant Period: December 1, 2000 to September 30, 2004

Grant Award Date: January 29, 2001

Reporting Period: October 1, 2001 through December 31, 2001

I. PROJECT OVERVIEW

Over a two-year period, this program will build capacities of Alaska Native individuals and communities statewide through the development of local decision-making, management and governance skills necessary to plan and implement sustainable community development efforts. This program will impact Alaska Native communities, organizations, and individuals statewide through statewide visioning efforts; a minimum of 2 regions/sub-regions of rural Alaska through specific infrastructure development efforts; and, a minimum of 24 individual Alaska Native villages statewide through specific community development, community economic development, and community infrastructure construction projects.

Grants selections were made available in the following areas:

- Community Development
Six (6) Grants, Maximum Funding \$50,000
- Community Economic Development Planning
Six (6) Grants, Maximum Funding \$50,000
- Statewide Visioning
One (1) Grant, Maximum Funding \$100,000
- Community Infrastructure Construction
Ten (10) Grants, Maximum Funding \$25,000
- Regional/Sub-Regional Infrastructure Planning
Two (2) Grants, Maximum Funding \$125,000

Total Proposals Received:

Community Development: 14

Community Economic Development: 13

Statewide Visioning: 1

Community Infrastructure Construction: 7

Regional/Sub-Regional Infrastructure Planning: 20 (second round)

II. MAJOR ACTIVITIES AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Regional/Sub-Regional Infrastructure Planning Grantees have been selected. First installments have been paid to the Council of Athabaskan Tribal Governments and Loudon Tribal Council. The review committee was made up of representatives from State and Federal organizations, as well as First Alaskans Foundation staff. We are please with our selections and will work closely with Grantees to implement these projects successfully. As both are planning grants, there will be no need to require labor reporting.

All agreements for construction grants have been amended to include labor, residence and wage reporting requirements. A second review of such grants will be furnished to the Denali Commission in our next report. Grantees are continuously contacting FAF for questions and assistance. We have worked with all of them to overcome any obstacles thus far.

We maintain a working relationship with the Alaska Humanities Forum and the outcomes of the Visioning Project. Follow up meetings have been attended by FAF staff to help coordinate the overall effort of tackling state issues such as Education, Public Policy, Fiscal Responsibility and the like.

Quarterly Grant Updates

Of the 25 funded Community Planning & Development Program grants, we have received and reviewed 12 quarterly reports as of January 30th. There have been no significant challenges for most of the grantees. The Eyak Handicap Access project, the Ketchikan Hatchery project and Chenega Comprehensive Economic Development Plan have been completed. The Russian Mission, North Slope Borough and Galena projects are nearing completion.

A select few grantees are still preparing to expend funds and have been unable to find appropriate labor in the village. Our two new grants to Loudon Tribal Council and CATG are due for their first reports this spring. Their community leadership is strong and we do not expect any obstacles for either project.

Attached to this report is a list of all grants and reporting status.

III. PROJECT ISSUES AND CHALLENGES

Statewide Visioning Grant

With the Statewide *Alaska 20/20* Visioning Conference behind us, it is difficult to foresee what the big picture will look like for Alaska's future. This, of course, was a concern of all involved from the start. Although it will eventually uncover itself over time, those involved in the visioning process have a tough road ahead. We believe that the Alaska Humanities Forum will do a good job in coordinating this challenging task.

Regional/Sub-Regional Infrastructure Planning Grants

Now that all grantees have been identified and partially funded, FAF must work with each community and organization to ensure the projects are successful. We now know which communities have the required leadership skills to fulfill their obligation as a grant recipient and those who must struggle to complete the project. The latter are few and we will be working with them to reach our goals.

IV. FINANCIAL REPORTING

The following report provides a snapshot of the Community Planning & Development Program to date financially. First Alaskans Foundation was issued an initial check for \$799,347.00 on 5-25-01. As requested, second and third disbursements were made for \$8,768.00 and \$100,000.00 respectively. Only half of the initial funds were disbursed to grantees by conditions of the signed agreements. Additional disbursements are being made as funds are requested by grantees. FAF has \$215,550.00 available at this time for additional disbursements as necessary. We expect most of the grantees to request additional funding this quarter, which will expend our current available funds. It is required by agreement for grantees to furnish quarterly reports and invoices to receive additional monies.

Initial funding		\$	1,175,000.00
Initial program outlays - 4/30/01	\$	799,347.00	
Less: Cumulative program income	\$	-	
Additional advances	\$	108,768.00	
Net program outlays	\$	908,115.00	
Total federal funds available		\$	<u>266,885.00</u>
FAF funds disbursed	\$	(692,565.00)	
FAF funds available (01/30/02)	\$	<u>215,550.00</u>	

V. ACTIVITIES PLANNED FOR THE NEXT REPORTING PERIOD

During the next reporting period, the Community Planning & Development Program anticipates accomplishing the following major activities:

- Continue working with the Alaska Humanities Forum to determine the steps for completing this project through regional meetings and an overall coordinated effort.
- Reporting and monitoring of selected projects, as well as additional funds disbursements as outlined in grant agreements
- Continued program outreach, including program information inclusion on First Alaskans Foundation (as available) and Denali Commission websites.
- Ongoing communication with Denali Commission and statewide funding agencies/organizations.

***Denali Commission
Community Planning & Development Program***

Community Development (\$50,000 each)

Chickaloon Village Traditional Council – Local Governance Recognition Project
Traditional Council of Togiak – Strengthening Togiak Tribal Court Project
Native Village of Barrow – Community Court Project (\$36,138)
City of Atka – Atka Health Clinic Planning & Preliminary Design Project
North Slope Borough – Village Environmental Planning for Capacity Building (\$49,299)
City of Toksook Bay – Water & Sewer Utilities Master Plan

Community Economic Development (\$50,000 each)

City of Galena – Koyukon Basin Economic Development Initiative
Agdaadux Tribe – King Cove-Cold Bay Transportation Corridor (\$34,500)
Chenega IRA Council – Community Economic Development Strategy (\$49,888)
Ketchikan Indian Corporation – Deer Mountain Tribal Hatchery & Eagle Center Repair
Rampart Traditional Council – Community Economic Development Strategy (\$40,000)
Allakaket Tribal Council – Comprehensive Economic Development & Marketing Plan

Community Infrastructure Construction (\$25,000 each)

City of Aniak – Aniak VPSO Housing Project
Organized Village of Kwethluk – Kwethluk Community Building
Native Village of St. Michael – Community Building Construction
Native Village of Fort Yukon – Fort Yukon Building Renovation
Iqurmiut Traditional Council – Community Center Renovation
Organized Village of Saxman – Capital Improvements for Saxman Tribal Office
Chickaloon Village Traditional Tribal Council – Tribal Government Building
City of Port Alexander – Boardwalk Completion (\$23,291)
Ambler Traditional Council – Wind Energy Development for Community Freezer
Native Village of Eyak – Community Handicap Access Improvement Project

Regional/ Sub-regional Infrastructure Planning (\$125,000 each)

Louden Tribal Council/Louden Housing Authority – Senior Assisted Living Facility
Council of Athabaskan Tribal Governments – Sub-Regional Health Clinic

Statewide Visioning (\$70,000)

Alaska Humanities Forum – Alaska 20/20 Visioning Conference

Regional/Sub-Regional Infrastructure Planning

	ORGANIZATION	PROJECT	READER	AVG
04-01	Louden Tribal Council/Louden Housing Authority	Yukon-Koyukuk Senior Assisted Living Facility	1	5
04-02	Native Village of Eklutna	Development of a Coordination Transport. Plan for the Eklutna Community	3	2
04-03	ASCG	Chignik Inter-Village Rd Engineering Reconnaissance	2	4
04-04	Chilkoot Indian Association	Northern Southeast Area Waste Diversion	1	3
04-05	Bristol Bay Economic Development Corporation	Bristol Bay House	3	3
04-06	Calista Corporation	Calista Regional Planning Project	2	3
04-07	Bristol Bay Native Association	Bristol Bay Regional/Sub-Regional Infrastructure Planning	1	1.5
04-08	Northwest Arctic Borough	Public Safety Infrastructure Plan Development	3	3.5
04-09	Southcentral Foundation	Matanuska-Susitna Native Communities Health Care Facility Planning	2	4
04-10	Southeast Trail System	Southeast Alaska Trail System	1	5
04-11	Tanana Chiefs Conference	Doyon Regional/Sub-Regional Infrastructure Planning	3	1.5
04-12	Allakaket Tribal Council	Allakaket Tribal Council/City of Allakaket/Tribal Council of Alatna Comprehensive Project Coordination	2	1
04-13	False Pass Tribal Council	False Pass Infrastructure Planning New Landfill/Access Road	1	4
04-14	Newhalen Tribal Council	NTC Community-Cultural Center	3	2
04-15	City of Bethel	Regional Public Safety Training & Police Facility	2	3
04-16	Telida Village Council	Comprehensive Health Service Planning	1	0
04-17	Council of Athabascan Tribal Governments	Tee'teraa'in: We Are Working Together	3	4
04-18	Lake and Peninsula Borough	Regional Comprehensive Energy Plant Implementation	2	4
04-19	Ouzinkie Native Corporation	Replace Bulk Fuel Farm	1	2
04-20	CCTHIT	SEAK Community Development Template	3	3.5

Grant Category	Project	Village	Total FAF Funding	Matching Funds	Disbursed	Project Status
Community Infrastructure Construction	VPSO Housing Project	Aniak	\$25,000	\$30,000	\$21,390	Materials ordered and barged to Aniak. Site cleared and construction will begin when weather provides.
Community Infrastructure Construction	Deer Mtn. Tribal Hatchery & Comm. Ctr. Repair & Maintenance.	Ketchikan	\$25,000	\$5,077	\$25,000	Project is complete, with building improvements and water quality improvements.
Community Infrastructure Construction	Community Building	Kwethluk	\$25,000	\$918,453	\$25,000	No grant funds have been expended. Council informed us that the project would be completed before grant deadline.
Community Infrastructure Construction	Community Building Construction	St. Michael	\$25,000	\$868,553	\$12,500	Quarterly Report not received as of 1/31/02.
Community Infrastructure Construction	Building Renovation	Ft. Yukon	\$25,000	\$6,000	\$23,079	Quarterly Report not received as of 1/31/02.
Community Infrastructure Construction	Community Center Renovation – Iqurmiut	Russian Mission	\$25,000	\$1,623	\$25,000	Project is nearing completion thanks to City Office donation of funds.
Community Infrastructure Construction	Capital Improvements for Tribal Office	Saxman	\$25,000	\$5,598	\$12,500	Quarterly Report not received as of 1/31/02..
Community Infrastructure Construction	Tribal Government Building	Chickaloon	\$25,000	\$101,000	\$14,389	Quarterly Report not received as of 1/31/02.
Community Infrastructure Construction	Boardwalk Completion	Port Alexander	\$23,291	\$2,329	\$11,646	Boardwalk project is underway with newly hired foreman. Materials originally sent to Sitka, which caused a delay.
Community Infrastructure Construction	Wind Energy Development for Community Freezer	Ambler	\$25,000	\$2,500	\$12,500	Council is working to finalize a workplan for installation of a new wind turbine for freezer in early spring. No funds expended thus far.

Community Infrastructure Construction	Community Handicap Access Improvement Project	Eyak	\$25,000	\$343,898	\$25,000	Project is complete – handicap access project funds have been expended with no problems.
Community Development	Local Governance	Chickaloon	\$50,000	\$14,331	\$25,000	Quarterly Report not received as of 1/31/02.
Community Development	Court Project	Togiak	\$50,000	\$5,110	\$25,000	Tribal Court is running effectively. Budget has been revised to re-allocate funds originally planned for outside contractor. Work will be completed in-house.
Community Development	Court Project	Barrow	\$36,138	\$39,213	\$18,069	Quarterly Report not received as of 1/31/02.
Community Development	Health Clinic Planning & Preliminary Design Project	Atka	\$50,000	\$5,000	\$25,000	Quarterly Report not received as of 1/31/02..
Community Development	Village Capacity Building	N. Slope Borough	\$50,000	\$40,920	\$25,000	Capacity building for villages is under way and even includes the Inupiat Community of the Arctic Slope – a welcomed surprise.
Community Development	Water & Sewer Utilities Master Plan	Toksook Bay	\$50,000	\$5,000	\$25,000	No grant funds expended thus far.
Community Economic Development	Koyukon Basin Economic Development Initiative	Galena	\$50,000	\$10,565	\$25,000	Final phase of project will be to assess options that came out of regional planning sessions. Feasibility studies and impact assessments will be completed for each village in the sub-region.
Community Economic Development	Transportation Corridor: Access & Development at Lenard Harbor	King Cove	\$34,500	\$9,500	\$25,000	No funds expended thus far. Tribe received notice of additional funding from ANA. Still advertising for grant assistant position.
Community Economic Development	Community Economic Development Strategy & Prelim. Master Plan	Chenega	\$49,888	\$16,470	\$49,888	Comprehensive Economic Development Plan has been completed. Grant funds have been expended.
Community Economic Development	Community Economic Development Strategy	Rampart	\$40,000	\$10,000	\$20,000	Quarterly report not received as of 01/31/02.
Community Economic Development	Comprehensive Economic Development Update	Allakaket	\$50,000	\$6,000	\$25,000	Quarterly report not received as of 01/31/02.

Visioning Grant	Alaska 20/20: Statewide Visioning Project	Alaska Humanities Forum	\$70,000	\$230,000	\$300,000	The AHF held an initial 20/20 Visioning Conference in Anchorage in November of 2001. For 2002, AHF will convene regional meetings throughout Alaska to share views of visions and goals and to suggest strategies – similar to the Anchorage conference. Thus far, \$35,000 has been paid to AHF. Jan. 15 th Quarterly report has not been received as of 2/15/02.
Regional/Sub-regional Infrastructure Grant	“We are Working Together” – Tee’ teraa’ in	Ft. Yukon (CATG)	\$125,000	\$12,500	\$137,500	First quarterly report is due April 15 th . Initial payment of \$75,000 has been made to project.
Regional/Sub-regional Infrastructure Grant	Yukon-Koyukuk Senior Assisted Living Facility	Galena	\$125,000	\$57,500	\$179,000	First quarterly report is due April 15 th . Initial payment of \$75,000 has been made to project.